GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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SUBSIDY AND LOANS FOR TEA PLANTATIONS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is offering 25 percent subsidy and soft loan from financial institutions up to 50 percent for tea plantations;and

(b) if so,the details thereof,State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) A Special Purpose Tea Fund Scheme was notified by the Government of India on 16.1.2007 to encourage tea garden owners to take up large scale uprooting and replanting of old tea bushes for improving production and productivity.The target set for the XI Plan period is 40992 ha comprising replantation of 32560 ha and rejuvenation of 8432 ha.The region wise details is given below.

Region	Unit cost(Rs./ha)	XI Plan taget area (Ha)
Activity: Replantation and Replacement Planting		
Asam Valley	303284	15634
Cathar	283685	3087
Tnpura	202070	431
DQoars & Terai	298020	8591
Darjeeling	371210	699
South India	344600	2799
Other areas	255200	1319

Ativity:Rejuvenation Total 32560

Darjeeling,South India 95000 8432
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